

the end product. They have achieved success in this regard through increased enrollment in pre-apprentice and apprentice programs; through the establishment of partnerships with residents, business leaders, trade associations, unions, and ecumenical community city agencies; through the development of an internal information network; and through the review and validation of certified payrolls, skilled trade reports and subcontractor reports.

Mr. President, I applaud the efforts of the Human Rights Department to diversify the City of Detroit's workforce. Their efforts serve as a wonderful example to other agencies in Detroit and throughout the State of Michigan. On behalf of the entire United States Senate, I congratulate the Human Rights Department of the City of Detroit on receiving this year's Gender and Race Diversification Excellence Award.●

# MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

## EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

# MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

## ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 1999, the Secretary of the Senate, on April 18, 2000, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the acting Speaker (Mr. WOLF) has signed the following enrolled bills and joint resolution:

H.R. 2863. An act to clarify the legal effect on the United States of the acquisition of a parcel of land in the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve in the State of Utah.

H.R. 1615. An act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to extend the designation of a portion of the Lamprey River in New Hampshire as a recreational river to include an additional river segment.

H.R. 3090. An act to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to restore certain lands to the Elim Native Corporation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1231. An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain National Forest lands to Elko County, Nevada, for continued use as a cemetery.

H.R. 1753. An act to provide the research, identification, assessment, exploration, and development of methane hydrate resources, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3063. An act to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to increase the maximum acreage of Federal leases for sodium that may be held by an entity in any one State, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2862. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to release reversionary interests held by the United States in certain parcels of land in Washington County, Utah, to facilitate an anticipated land exchange.

H.R. 2368. An act to assist in the resettlement and relocation of the people of Bikini Atoll by amending the terms of the trust fund established during the United States administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

H.J. Res. 86. Joint resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the Korean War and the service by members of the Armed Forces during such war and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 1999, the enrolled bills and joint resolution were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND) on April 20, 2000.

# ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported on April 14, 2000, he had presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled bill:

S. 1287. An act to provide for the storage of spent nuclear fuel pending completion of the nuclear waste repository, and for other purposes.

The Secretary of the Senate reported on April 20, 2000, he had presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled bills:

S. 1567. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 223 Broad Avenue in Albany, Georgia, as the "C.B. King United States Courthouse."

S. 1769. An act to exempt certain reports from automatic elimination and sunset pursuant to the Federal Report Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995, and for other purposes.

# EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-8524. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8525. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation relative to enhanced safety and environmental protection in pipeline transportation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8526. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation relative to the Management of the DoD and the transfer of naval vessels to foreign countries; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8527. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Commerce,

transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled the "National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fees Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8528. A communication from the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repeal of Dual Compensation Reductions for Military Retirees" (RIN3206-AI92), received April 11, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8529. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-296, "Tax Conformity Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8530. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-302, "Management Supervisory Service Exclusion Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8531. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-303, "Limited Liability Company Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8532. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-304, "Harry L. Thomas, Sr. Recreation Center Designation Temporary Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8533. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-301, "Performance Rating Levels Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8534. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-313, "Comprehensive Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Reform Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8535. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-300, "Retail Service Station Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8536. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-299, "Fairness in Real Estate Transactions and Retirement Funds Protection Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8537. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-298, "Tax Increment Financing Amendment Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8538. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 13-297, "Assisted Living Residence Regulatory Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8539. A communication from the Office of Postsecondary Educational, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Regulations—Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP)" (RIN1840-AC82), received April 20, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8540. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State,

transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8541. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8542. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Egypt; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8543. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8544. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8545. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Denmark, France, Italy, United Kingdom, and the European Space Agency; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8546. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to Australia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8547. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more to French Guiana; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8548. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, a report relative to certification of a proposed Manufacturing License Agreement with Japan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8549. A communication from the Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Foreign Operations Export Financing and Related Pro-

grams Act, 2000, a notification of our intent to obligate funds for purposes of Non-proliferation and Disarmament Fund activities; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8550. A communication from the Secretary of Labor transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to the processing of cases under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Act; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8551. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report containing the plan of the Department to address each material weakness, reportable condition and noncompliance with an applicable law or regulation identified in the audit of the Federal Housing Administration's fiscal year 1998 financial statements; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8552. A communication from the Office of Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Utilization of Indian Organizations and Indian-Owned Economic Enterprises" (DFARS Case 99-D300), received April 12, 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8553. A communication from the Office of Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Manufacturing Technology Program" (DFARS Case 99-D302), received April 12, 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8554. A communication from the Office of Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Caribbean Basin Countries" (DFARS Case 2000-D006), received April 12, 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8555. A communication from the Office of Educational Research and Improvement transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Awards Program for Effective Teacher preparation—Notice of Eligibility and Selection Criteria", received April 12, 2000; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-8556. A communication from the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rev. Proc. 2000-14", received April 13, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8557. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8558. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Evidence that have been adopted by the Supreme Court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8559. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8560. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8561. A communication from the Acting Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation relative to waiver and indemnification in mutual law enforcement agreements between the National Park Service and a state or political subdivision; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8562. A communication from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Governing the Movement of Natural Gas on Facilities on the Outer Continental Shelf" (Docket No. RM00-5-000, Order No. 639), received April 19, 2000; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8563. A communication from the Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the Department's intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-8564. A communication from the National Capital Planning Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8565. A communication from the National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2000 GPRA Performance Plan; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8566. A communication from the Postal Rate Commission relative to proposed postal rate increases; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8567. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Analysis of the FY 2001 Proposed Revenue Forecast and FY 2000 Revised Revenue Forecast"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8568. A communication from the U.S. Trade and Development Agency submitting its annual audit for FY 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8569. A communication from the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Retirement and Insurance—Automation and Simplification of FERS Employee Record Keeping During an Intra-Agency Transfer" (RIN3206-AJ02), received April 19, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8570. A communication from the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Full Consideration of Displaced Defense Employees" (RIN3206-AF36), received April 19, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8571. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Health Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the scope of preventative health care benefits provided to all eligible TRICARE beneficiaries; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8572. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Personnel and Readiness transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the elimination of the backlog of requests for the issuance or replacement of military decorations; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8573. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Force Management

Policy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the pricing of tobacco products sold in military exchanges and commissary stores; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8574. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition and Technology, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the review of profit guidelines in the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8575. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition, Technology and Logistics transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the proposed amount of staff-years of technical effort to be funded by the DoD for each federally funded research and development center for fiscal year 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8576. A communication from the Reserve Forces Policy Board, Department of Defense transmitting a report relative to the Anthrax Vaccination Program for the Total Force; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8577. A communication from the Office of Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Foreign Acquisition" (DFARS Case 98-D028), received April 19, 2000; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-8578. A communication from the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modified Eligibility Criteria for the Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty" (RIN2900-AJ69), received April 19, 2000; to the Committee on Veteran's Affairs.

EC-8579. A communication from the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Currently Effective Indian Health Service Eligibility Regulations" (RIN0917-AA03), received April 19, 2000; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8580. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act at Kadena Air Base, Okinawa; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-8581. A communication from the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of Pay-As-You-Go Calculations; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-8582. A communication from the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adjustment of Status for Certain Polish and Hungarian Parolees" (RIN1115-AE25), received April 24, 2000; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

# PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-455. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin relative to the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Federal Poultry Products Inspection Act; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 13

Whereas, currently, federal law prohibits cattle, sheep, swine, goat, chicken, turkey, duck, goose and guinea fowl products that

are inspected under state meat inspection programs from being shipped across state lines, while federal law allows state-inspected ostrich, venison, buffalo and pheasant to be shipped across state lines; and

Whereas, foreign meat products may be shipped freely among the states; and

Whereas, Wisconsin has 300 state-inspected plants, none of which is allowed to market products in interstate commerce due to an outdated federal law; and

Whereas, Wisconsin and the United States are currently suffering from a hog market crisis, including a closure of packing facilities and a reduction in slaughter activity, due in part to these outdated interstate restrictions; and

Whereas, the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Federal Poultry Products Inspection Act are restricting the opportunity for these small plants to expand their markets across state lines, provide additional slaughter capacity for pork producers and increase the demand for their products; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring*, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature request Congress to address problems in the meat-processing industry concerning packing, processing and marketing capacities; and, be it further

*Resolved*, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature request Congress to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Federal Poultry Products Inspection Act to allow for interstate shipment of all state-inspected meats; and, be it further

*Resolved*, That the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint resolution to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States and to each of the senators and representatives from Wisconsin.

POM-456. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Tennessee relative to ethnicity categories for educational data reporting; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 71

*Be it resolved by the senate of the one hundred first General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, the house of representatives concurring*, That this General Assembly hereby memorializes the United States Congress to study the need to increase the number and specificity of ethnicity categories used for the reporting of educational data.

*Be it further resolved*, That an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President and the Secretary of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker and the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives and the each member of Tennessee's Congressional Delegation.

POM-457. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Virginia relative to the proposed "Keep Our Promise to Military Retirees Act"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 35

Whereas, millions of men and women of the uniformed services have served with honor, valor, and courage in protecting our nation's freedom and peace; and

Whereas, many recruited for the uniformed services prior to 1956 were reportedly promised free lifetime health care upon retirement if they served for 20 years or more in the service, although no health care statute existed; and

Whereas, in 1956, the Dependent Medical Care Act was passed, entitling those who entered the service on or after June 7, 1956, and

retired with a minimum of 20 years of service, to medical and dental care in any medical facility of the uniformed services, subject to the availability of space and facilities, and capabilities of the medical staff; and

Whereas, the Military Medical Benefits Amendments of 1966 created the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS), the first fee-based program for military health care recipients that included treatment by civilian providers; and

Whereas, the 1966 amendments further stipulated that any person entitled to hospital insurance benefits under Title I of the Social Security Amendment of 1965 would not be eligible for CHAMPUS benefits; and

Whereas, provider choice became more limited after the passage of the Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1991, which lowered the CHAMPUS reimbursement rate to the level of Medicare, leading to the exodus of many physicians from the CHAMPUS program; and

Whereas, the Defense Authorization Acts of Fiscal Year 1994 and Fiscal Year 1995 created a Health Maintenance Organization model (TRICARE) as an option for military health care and imposed enrollment fees for military managed care plans; and

Whereas, a series of recent base closures between 1988 and 1995 and further drawdowns of remaining military medical treatment facilities has made access to health care in military medical treatment facilities extremely difficult for many military retirees; and

Whereas, CHAMPUS and the TRICARE managed care programs that have evolved from CHAMPUS do not provide the adequate health care promised to military retirees and are inferior to care available to other federal retirees; and

Whereas, on September 28, 1999, H.R. 2966, "The Keep Our Promise to America's Military Retirees Act," was introduced to provide all Medicare-eligible military retirees the opportunity and option to either enroll in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (FEHBP-65) or remain in TRICARE past age 65; and

Whereas, a key component of the legislation would make military retirees who entered the service prior to CHAMPUS eligible for health care under the Federal Employee Health Benefits Program, with the government paying the full cost of enrollment; and

Whereas, restoring adequate health care coverage to military retirees is long overdue; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring*, That the Congress of the United States be urged to enact "The Keep Our Promise to America's Military Retirees Act"; and, be it

*Resolved further*, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit copies of the resolution to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the United States Senate, and the members of the Congressional Delegation of Virginia in order that they may be apprised of the sense of the General Assembly of Virginia in this matter.

POM-458. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Virginia relative to the selection of Fort Belvoir as the site of the United States Army Museum; to the Committee on Armed Services.

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 92

Whereas, the Department of the Army has been granted approval by the Congress to establish a national United States Army Museum; and